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FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TAIPEI 5719

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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF GROC CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF GENERAL

LAI MING-T'ANG

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

1. GENERAL LAI MING T'ANG, CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF, HAS JUST INFORMED ME IN CONFIDENCE OF HIS PROJECTED TRIP TO FOUR CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES AS GUEST OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS AND GIVEN ME HIS ITINERARY, WHICH INCLUDES STOPOVERS GOING AND RETURNING IN THE UNITED STATES. HE HAS NOT REQUESTED ANY ASSISTANCE BEYOND MAKING US MISSIONS IN FOUR COUNTRIES AWARE OF HIS VISIT AND ALSO PROPOSING THAT HE CALL ON ADMIRAL GAYLER BRIEFLY IF HIS STOPOVER IN HONOLULU COMES AT A CONVENIENT TIME FOR THE ADMIRAL. GENERAL LAI IS VERY WELL KNOWN TO US AND PRINCIPAL POINT OF CONTACT OF EMBASSY, MAAG AND TAIWAN DEFENSE COMMAND ON ALL SIGNIFICANT MILITARY QUESTIONS. BEYOND A VISIT WITH ADMIRAL GAYLER, CONFIDENTIAL

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WHICH I RECOMMEND IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, I WOULD ONLY SUGGEST

THAT US EMBASSIES STAND READY TO PROVIDE HELP IF HE SHOULD REQUEST IT.

2. GENERAL LAI'S ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

SEPT 20 DPT TAIPEI TWA 742 1815
SEPT 20 ARRIVE HONOLULU 1230
SEPT 20 DEPART HONOLULU 1400
SEPT 20-22 REMAIN LOS ANGELES 1400
SEPT 22 DPT LOS ANGELES (VIA NEW ORLEANS)
ARRIVE TEGUCIGALPA 1030
(REMAIN TEGUCIGALPA APPROXIMATELY 3 AND 1/2 DAYS)
SEPT 25 (APPROX) DPT TEGUCIGALPA
ARRIVE MANAGUA
(REMAIN IN MANAGUA APPROX 2 AND 1/2 DAYS)
SEPT 27 (APPROX) DPT MANAGUA
ARRIVE SAN SALVADOR
(REMAIN SAN SALVADOR APPROXIMATELY
FOUR DAYS INCLUDING SATURDAY/SUNDAY)
OCT 1 (APPROX) DPT SAN SALVADOR
ARRIVE GUATEMALA
(REMAIN IN GUATEMALA APPROX 3 AND 1/2 DAYS)
OCT 4 DEPART GUATEMALA
ARRIVE NEW YORK CITY 2100 (APPROX)
(VIA CUSTOMS CLEARANCE IN WASHINGTON DC)
OCT 5 DEPART NEW YORK
ARRIVE SAN FRANCISCO
OCT 6 DPT SAN FRANCISCO CAL NO. 001 2100
(TRANSIT HONOLULU MIDDLE OF NIGHT)

3. FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE CALIFORNIA, WASHINGTON AND
NEW YORK WILL BE ARRANGED BY USTDC. UNGER

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